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1. The Sarajevo School for Teachers has been more successful in pre-military training than any other school of its type. Two hours a week are dedicated to pre-military instruction. The school, which has a high attendance, has excelled in political indoctrination, pre-military training, and in teaching discipline. The instructor for the pre-military course is reserve Captain Milan Krajinovic.
 2. In January 1950, seventy young men and women graduated from this school and were sent to villages to teach general subjects and give political courses in the Pioniri schools. The following subjects were taught: social duty; love of the Socialist fatherland; devotion to Tito, the Party and the people; and defense of the fatherland. These teachers have also agreed to propagate political, cultural and economic ideas among the masses in the villages. By the end of June 1950, approximately 200 other students will be sent to villages for the same purpose.
 3. A large center for pre-military instruction under the direction of Commander Aleksander Petrovic is located in Jesenice. Janko Kavalar, Party member and former Partisan, teaches the political course, and is assisted by Captain Jozo Ulcar, a former Partisan organizer. The youth attending the pre-military course is mainly composed of workers from the Jesenice iron foundry. There are 24 companies in the foundry, the most outstanding of which are under the leadership of Zdravko Kotnik, Janko Krnicar, Emil Koren and Vinko Hvastje, who are reserve officers and Party members.
 4. An inspection of the courses at Jesenice is occasionally made by an Army officer named Djoko Radakovic. The managers of the foundry have contributed much to the development of the pre-military training program by purchasing wooden rifles for exercises, uniforms, explosives, targets, and other equipment. Besides small-scale exercises, courses in topography and political science are also given.

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